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MEMORANDUM

TO : Mr. John E. MacDonald
FROM : George A. Morgan, Acting Deputy Executive Officer
SUBJECT: Coordination of PSB D-23 "U. S. Psychological Strategy
Based on Thailand

NSC Action No. 900 approved the summary of PSB D-23, and the paper has been transmitted to OCB as the coordinating agency.

The OCB Assistants and Mr. Abbott Washburn have arranged that the following representatives will work with you in drafting an action paper for submission to OCB in order to launch the project:

Department of State: Mr. Kenneth P. Landon

Department of Defense: Captain Charles H. Smith, USN

Central Intelligence Agency: [REDACTED]

United States Information Agency: Mr. F. McCracken Fisher

Foreign Operations Administration: Mr. Allen Dines

You are to serve as Executive Secretary of the group.

Please arrange a meeting as soon as possible for this purpose, since Board consideration of the matter is overdue.

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The draft should cover:

1. Terms of reference for an OCB working group to follow through on OCB's responsibilities under NSC action No. 900. (The group is quite likely to consist of the above designees.)
2. Recommendations for Board agreement on division of responsibilities respecting PSB D-23 among the agencies concerned, having regard to any important developments since the date of approval. Are the "action" and "support" notations in the paper still satisfactory?
3. Recommended deadlines for preparation of agency operational plans. Is the time limit in para. V 4, page 38, feasible?

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